

T08D04 – (18.1) AB Calcs Notes

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1. 18.1.1 State the expression for the ionic product constant of water (K_w). (1)
 - a. Provide an equilibrium equation for water and the ionic product constant equation for water:
 - b. Pure water has the same concentration of what two ions in solution? What is it at 25°C?

2. 18.1.2 Deduce $[H^+(aq)]$ and $[OH^-(aq)]$ for water at different temperatures given K_w values. (3)
 - a. What happens to the value of K_w as temperature changes? Explain, complete the table, and provide a rough graph of the effect of temperature on K_w :

Temperature	0°C	25°C	40°C	100°C
K_w ($\text{mol}^2\text{dm}^{-6}$)				

- b. How does this affect the values of $[OH^-]$ and $[H^+]$ in solution?
 - c. How does this affect the pH of solutions?
 - d. Explain, using principles of energetics and equilibrium, why the dissociation of water is an endothermic process:
 - e. At 60°C, the ionic product constant of water is $9.6 \times 10^{-14} \text{ mol}^2\text{dm}^{-6}$. Calculate the pH of a neutral solution at this temperature
3. 18.1.3 Solve problems involving $[H^+(aq)]$, $[OH^-(aq)]$, pH and pOH. (3)
 - a. *This material was covered in SL Topic 08, for review please revisit those notes for details*
 - b. Calculate the pH of $0.01 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ NaOH(aq)}$:
 - c. Calculate the pH of $0.01 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ Ba(OH)}_2$
 - d. Calculate the pH of 0.01 mol dm^{-3} sulfuric acid: *Hint: think about the strong/weak properties of sulfuric acid and it's conjugates as it's deprotonated*
 - e. A solution of $\text{HNO}_3(\text{aq})$ contains 1.26g of the pure acid in every 100cm^3 of aqueous solution. Calculate the pH of the solution
 - f. A solution of NaOH(aq) contains 0.40g in every 50cm^3 of aqueous solution. Calculate the pH of the solution

- g. Briefly explain (no need to show all the work), using $1.0 \times 10^{-8} \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ HCl(aq)}$, why solutions of dilute acids can cause issues with pH calculations:
- h. Although we will not use the following cases in IB chemistry, provide examples of an acid and a base that reach beyond the 0-14 pH scale range:
4. 18.1.4 State the equation for the reaction of any weak acid or weak base with water, and hence deduce the expressions for K_a and K_b . (1)
- a. Deduce the following expressions:

	What is it?	How is it calculated	How would you get to pK_a , pK_b , or pK_w respectively?
Acid Ionization Constant (K_a)		Chem Eqn:	$K_a \rightarrow pK_a$
		Eq. Expression:	$pK_a \rightarrow K_a$
Base ionization Constant (K_b)		Chem Eqn:	$K_b \rightarrow pK_b$
		Eq. Expression:	$pK_b \rightarrow K_b$
Ionic Product Constant for Water (K_w)		Chem Eqn:	$K_w \rightarrow pK_w$
		Eq. Expression:	$pK_w \rightarrow K_w$

- b. Complete the following table for strong and weak acids and bases, noting which will have high or low values of K_a , K_b , pK_a , pK_b , etc

	Strong Acid	Weak Acid	Strong Base	Weak Base
Values for the reactant	K_a : pK_a :	K_a : pK_a :	K_b : pK_b :	K_b : pK_b :
Values for its CONJUGATES	K_b : pK_b :	K_b : pK_b :	K_a : pK_a :	K_a : pK_a :

- c. Show, using equilibrium equations, how the equilibrium constants for acids and bases, K_a and K_b respectively, change for strong and weak materials:

	Strong Acid	Weak Acid	Strong Base	Weak Base
Equilibrium Expression				

- d. How can the pH of the following be calculated?

	Strong Acid	Weak Acid	Strong Base	Weak Base
How to Calculate pH				

- e. We make a very important assumption in dealing with weak acid and base calculations, explain how **assumptions are for the weak:**

5. 18.1.5 Solve problems involving solutions of weak acids and bases using the expressions: $K_a \times K_b = K_w$, $pK_a + pK_b = pK_w$, $pH + pOH = pK_w$. (3)
 a. *Included in SL calcs and below in further calculations.*
6. 18.1.6 Identify the relative strengths of acids and bases using values of K_a , K_b , pK_a and pK_b . (2)
 a. What does I.C.E. stand for and how does the chart help us to organize our calculations?

- b. Calculate the pH of a 1.00 mol dm^{-3} aqueous solution of hydrofluoric acid, HF(aq), given that the acid dissociation constant for HF is 7.2×10^{-4}
 $\text{HF(aq)} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{F}^-(\text{aq})$

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{F}^-]}{[\text{HF}]}$$

	HF(aq) M	H ⁺ (aq) M	F ⁻ (aq) M
Initial			
Change			
Equilibrium			

$$K_a = \frac{x[x]}{1.00-x} = \frac{[x]^2}{1.00-x}$$

$$K_a = 7.2 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{F}^-]}{[\text{HF}]} = \frac{x[x]}{1.00-x} = \frac{[x]^2}{1.00-x} \approx \frac{[x]^2}{1.00}$$

Calculate the pH value using both the quadratic approach and the assumption, and then compare the two:

If no assumption, solve quadratic:
 $x^2 + (7.2 \times 10^{-4})x - (7.2 \times 10^{-4} \times 1.00) = 0$
 $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
 $a = 1$
 $b = 7.2 \times 10^{-4}$
 $c = -7.2 \times 10^{-4}$
 $\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = 2.65 \times 10^{-2} = [\text{H}^+]$
 $-\log[\text{H}^+] = \text{pH} = \mathbf{1.57}$

For the assumption:
 $x^2 = 7.2 \times 10^{-4} \times 1.00$
 $x = \sqrt{7.2 \times 10^{-4}} = 2.68 \times 10^{-2}$
 $x = [\text{H}^+]$
 $-\log[\text{H}^+] = \text{pH}$
 $\text{pH} = \mathbf{1.57}$

- c. Things to know about pK values:
- pK_a and pK_b numbers are usually positive w/o units
 - Stronger acids or bases with high values for K_a or K_b have lower values for pK_a and pK_b respectively
 - A change in one unit of pK_a or pK_b represents a 10-fold change in the value of K_a or K_b
 - pK_a and pK_b must be quoted at a specific temperature, generally 25°C for standard conditions and measurements
 - High values of K_a for an acid will have low values of K_b for its conjugate base (make sense?)

$$K_a \cdot K_b = [\text{H}^+][\text{OH}^-] = K_w$$

- d. Complete the following tables to explain how the K_a and pK_a and the K_b and pK_b are related:

i. For Acids:

Acid	Formula	K_a	pK_a
Methanoic			
Ethanoic			
Propanoic			

ii. For Bases:

Bases	Formula	K_b	pK_b
Ammonia			
Methylamine			
Ethylamine			

- e. Calculate the K_b for a $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ aqueous solution of methylamine, CH_3NH_2 , at 25°C . Its pH is 11.80 at this temperature

- f. A 0.20 mol dm^{-3} aqueous solution of ammonia has K_b of 1.8×10^{-5} at 25°C , what is the pH?